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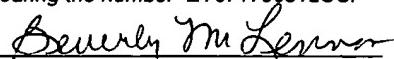
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Dear Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the U. S. Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified new Patent Application:

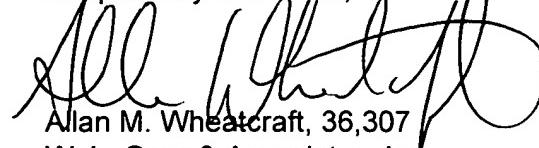
1. Abstract and Specification (32 pages, 21 claims)
2. Informal Drawings (11 sheets)

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APPLICATION TO OUR DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO.**

**07-1729.**

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Respectfully submitted,

  
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